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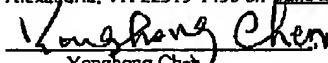
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For: **PROCESS FOR LASER WELDING WITH PRE-AND/OR POST-HEATING IN  
THE AREA OF THE WELDING SEAM**

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AMENDMENT B

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Sir:

Responsive to the Final Office Action dated March 27, 2006, Applicants submit herewith  
following amendments and remarks:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims, which begins on page 2  
of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 4 of this paper.

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